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FEW MEN WERE AT THE PEARL HARBOR PICNIC

**The White Labor Organizations Too Small to
Make a Good Showing at Their
Annual Frolic.**

Labor Day was celebrated yesterday by all the stores, offices and officials in Honolulu. The labor picnic at Pearl City, however, showed that white labor in the Hawaiian Islands is down to the last reserves. There were hardly two dozen, all told, at the Peninsula and their celebration, compared with former years, was a piteous commentary on the fate of the American artisan.

In strict accord with the spirit of the mainland the Honolulu Labor Council decided to have the quiet festivities of the day. Arrangements were made to go to Pearl City, and the following faithful unionists constituted the committees of the day:

Chairman of the day, M. Heffernan; floor manager, T. O'Brien; committee of arrangements, L. Toomey, E. Larsen, J. Remwik; finance committee, T. Cahalan, E. Crozier, C. Colden; reception committee, F. McLaughlin, F. Schmidt, W. P. O'Brien; games committee, J. E. Langren, L. Hackett, F. Sackowitz.

The trains were scheduled to leave at 2:15, 3:20, 5:15 and 7:30 p. m. Very few on the first trains, but the last carried down a larger crowd. Yet even these accessions came nowhere near the crowds of former years, and the presence of a Japanese sweetmeat seller on the grounds explained the business.

A cursory census of the labor unions yesterday showed the inroads made by Asiatic labor. The Carpenters' Union, from over 180 active members, has barely two dozen left. The same is the case with nearly every union in the city, and it was noticeable yesterday that the faithful ones were much in the minority in the very small crowd at the Peninsula.

Those that were there exerted themselves to celebrate the day fittingly. T. Cahalan and his fellow committeemen did their best and by sundown all who were there were having a good time. "Unionism is by no means dead among us," said one, "but Japanese competition has put us out of business. Most of those who could return to the Coast have done so, leaving a few of us here with living wages. In the face of Asiatic competition only a few of us can live. We are a small crowd, but loyal to the last man."

Music and dancing were the order till a late hour and then the picnickers returned happy and content. Various games were indulged in, and boating and racing were some of the features.

HAWAIIAN TOBACCO GETS EXPERT'S UNSTINTED PRAISE

HONOLULU, Hawaii, September 4, 1905.

Editor: Advertiser: By last mail I received advice that the Hawaii Experiment Station has been awarded, by the Jury of International Awards of the St. Louis Exposition, a silver medal for the collection of tropical fruits which we exhibited there, and a bronze medal for our exhibit of injurious insects of Hawaii. This latter was prepared by Mr. D. L. Van Dine, and the collection of fruits by the station horticulturist, Mr. J. E. Higgins.

Mr. J. C. Kendrick, of Clarksville, Tenn., a tobacco manufacturer, who was one of the judges at the World's Fair in St. Louis, to whom I sent samples of our last year's crop of Hamakua tobacco, reports as follows in regard to it: "The samples are a very high grade of cigar tobacco."

"The Cuban variety as grown by the Station is excellent and its burning qualities excel a ny tobacco I have ever seen."

"The Sumatra shows that it is at home in that soil."

"I am glad that these varieties so well adapted to the soil and climate are being experimented with, as they must prove more profitable than other kinds would be. I think experiments should also be made with some of the heavier bodied chewing varieties, as I am sure they will do well and meet a full demand."

Yours truly,
JARED G. SMITH.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY WILL CLOSE THE BALTIC

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, August 23.—The reports that Germany and Russia would close the Baltic sea, indirectly with the assistance of Sweden and Denmark, with the object of protecting themselves against England, was at first treated here as a subject not worth mentioning. Suddenly, however, the supposed project has become a topic of general discussion. The German suggestion that the Baltic sea should be converted into a mare clausum, accessible only to the navies of the powers whose coasts are washed by the sea, may therefore be said to fore-shadow a new alignment in European politics. And coming as it does just at this time when there is trouble between Norway and Sweden, it presents some interesting complications.

One reason why the project of treating the Baltic as a closed sea is attracting unusual attention is found in the fact that the British naval visit to Baltic waters is being considered a sort of counter demonstration to the recent German visit. Newspapers and politicians here begin to regard it as a political demonstration of the first importance, which is calculated to counterbalance, if not to outweigh, the impression created by the recent activity of German squadrons in the sea under discussion.

The air of proprietorship with which, during the past few weeks, the German navy has been arranging receptions for itself off the Danish and Scandinavian coast, has been observed with somewhat mixed feeling at Copenhagen, at Stockholm, and at Christiania. The imperial meeting in the Gulf of Finland between the czar and the kaiser belongs in a sense to the same category. How imperative and how impressive the appearance of British ships in these waters is may well be gathered from the fact that no sooner had the news of this cruise on the part of the English channel fleet become known than the agitation was started in Berlin by a couple of Chauvinist journals.

The Baltic has been facetiously styled "the jumping off place for the admirals of the Atlantic." It is difficult to understand, outside of the mere politics of the matter, what interest Sweden could have in being condemned to a tete-a-tete in the Baltic either with Germany or Russia. Denmark, if under

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WILL DRILL THE CHINESE

**Two American Officers
Enter Imperial
Service.**

Col. Henry Wygant, the popular commander of the troops aboard the transport Sheridan, lost two of his officers in the Philippines. That is, both resigned from the service to enter that of the Chinese Imperial Army. According to news received yesterday from Manila both officers, who were lieutenants, are to receive high rank in return for their services in instilling the leaven of western military ideas into the antiquated military system of the Celestial empire. The two officers are First Lieutenant Henry I. Harris and Second Lieutenant Morton Russell.

It is said that Lieut. Harris has already received his appointment as Colonel in the Chinese army, Russell becoming a major, receiving respectively, salaries of \$7000 and \$5000 per year in gold. The two officers will probably be installed as instructors at Peking.

Lieutenants Harris and Russell are not the first officers who have left the service of the United States during the past few months for larger pay and opportunities for adventure beneath the flag of China. Although stories of officers for the Chinese army being recruited in Manila have been in circulation on several different occasions during the past three years, it has only been within the past three months that such recruiting has been done, for the past two years at least. The work has been done with care and the selection of officers has been made only from men possessing an excellent reputation as officers. To these high pay has been offered, and it is known that tentative proposals have been made to a number of officers stationed here.

Lieutenant Harris bears the reputation of being one of the bravest and most efficient of the younger officers in the service. He was twice wounded in Mindanao and is said to be an excellent tactician. He is a son of Lieutenant-Colonel Harris, retired, and entered West Point as a cadet in 1894. He was appointed a second lieutenant in the 20th Infantry in 1899 and was promoted to his first lieutenancy the following year.

Lieutenant Russell, who is the son of a wealthy shoe manufacturer of Boston, Massachusetts, was appointed a second lieutenant October 17, 1902. He was previously the sergeant major of the 16th Infantry. He bears an excellent reputation as an officer.

ALICE B. OUTDID NICK IN A TANK

Officers of the transport Sheridan tell a good story on Miss Roosevelt which happened after the Taft party left Honolulu for Manila. On the forward deck just below the bridge the cabin passengers big canvas bathing tank was erected. One morning Miss Roosevelt was gazing at it and dared Nicholas Longworth to take a plunge, dressed as he was in blue coat, flannel trousers and white duck shoes. Gallant though Mr. Longworth is in his attentions to Miss Roosevelt, he demurred to this unusual request. She bantered him for a while and then remarking, "Well if you don't dare, I do," and before her friends divined her purpose she had leaped into the tank. Longworth thereupon leaped in after her and the two were dragged out looking like bedraggled cats.

LOOK OUT FOR ISLANDERS.

A waterfronter who was recently in San Francisco says there is a colony of Hawaiians in the Coast city the members of which are looking pretty seedy. They are generally on the watch for late arrivals from the islands and seem willing to share whatever of funds the newcomers are willing to divide. He also states that a large number of Portuguese who left Honolulu are to be found in Oakland, and are quite anxious to return here.

SHERIDAN IN PORT

**The Big Troopship Here
With Twelve Hun-
dred Troops.**

More than thirteen hundred people aboard the United States army transport Sheridan were gladdened yesterday afternoon to be able to land at Honolulu after a long but uneventful voyage from Manila and Nagasaki, chiefly because it would give them a night off in the city. Had the vessel arrived this morning the chances are that none of that thirteen hundred would have had an opportunity to taste the delights of Honolulu by moonlight. As it is the vessel will be dispatched to San Francisco at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The Sheridan was sighted before two p. m., and shortly after three the quarantine doctor, customs and immigration officials had boarded the vessel outside and by four o'clock the big white troopship was alongside Naval Dock No. 1.

Large drafts of men were given short leave at once, and they made haste to get up town. There are nearly twelve hundred soldiers aboard, mainly from the Engineers' Corps and 12th Cavalry. Col. Henry Wygant, 22nd Infantry, is in command of the troops. Col. Wygant achieved fame when a captain in the 24th (colored) Infantry, having participated in the charge up San Juan hill, where he received severe wounds. He passed through Honolulu in March last year on the transport Thomas en route to the Coast an invalid, but he has since fully recovered.

Captain Frank Morrow is making his first round trip as quartermaster-captain of the Thomas, having taken the place of Captain Berry, who was removed a few months since.

Mrs. Burroughs, wife of Lieut. Burroughs of the 12th Cavalry, had the misfortune the day before the steamer left Manila to slip on a street there, sustaining a broken ankle. She is now able to move about the vessel on crutches.

Sergeant-Major John F. O. Koch of the Engineer Corps, died at sea of heart failure on August 31. Sergeant-Major Koch had served thirty years in the army, and was en route home to retire.

The body of Major Palmer, army quartermaster at Nagasaki, who died there recently, is being taken by the Sheridan to the Coast.

K Company Engineers has been stationed at Marahi, island of Mindanao, for some time, doing road, bridge and wharf work. I Company has been stationed on the island of Guimaras doing the same class of work. I and N companies, in detachments, have been scattered about the islands. K Company was in the war belt nearly all the time it was stationed in Mindanao, and practically had to keep fighting to accomplish the work laid out for it.

The 12th Cavalry has had rather a peaceable time of it, although the regiment was pretty well scattered over the Archipelago. K and L troops were stationed at Batangas for nearly two years and I and N at Guimaras. All four companies took part in an expedition sent into Cavite province to put down the uprising of Ladroneas.

The passengers aboard the Sheridan, all en route to the Coast, are:

Col. Henry Wygant, 22nd Infantry; Lt.-Col. H. E. Robinson, Mil. Sec.; Capt. F. C. Boggs, Capt. Chas. Keller, 1st Lt. E. M. Adams, 1st Lt. F. H. Jackson, 1st Lt. W. L. Guthrie, 1st Lt. R. R. Ralston, 1st Lt. H. C. Jewett, Engineer Corps; Captain Thomas B. Dugan, 12th Cavalry (C. O. Troops); Capt. J. E. Curack, 1st Lt. J. M. Burroughs, 12th Cavalry; 1st Lt. L. S. Morley, 12th Cavalry (Adjutant); 1st Lt. G. N. Kimball, 2nd Lt. O. C. Troxel, 2nd Lt. Chas. Telford, 2nd Lt. Robt. F. Tate, 2nd Lt. C. R. Mato, 12th Cavalry; Capt. T. M. Anderson, Jr., 7th Infantry; Capt. R. W. Rose, 2nd Infantry; Capt. W. B. Davis, 17th Infantry; 1st Lt. C. L. Pitney, Phil. Scouts; 1st Lt. E. W. Tanner, 4th Infantry; 1st Lt. Alfred Aloe, 12th Infantry; 1st Lt. E. X. Coffey, 2nd Cavalry; 1st Lt. G. V. Heidt, 14th Cavalry; 2nd Lt. S. N. Elderly, Phil. Scouts; 2nd Lt. V. W. Hoiser, 20th Infantry; 2nd Lt. S. N. Kessler, Phil. Scouts; 2nd Lt. N. C. Gustin, Phil. Scouts; 1st Lt. C. E. Boone, Phil. Scouts; 1st Lt. Allen Walker, Phil. Scouts; 1st Lt. Frank Nickerson, Phil. Scouts; Lt.-Col. F. Von Schrader, Q. M. Dept.; Major A. Palmer, Q. M. Dept.; Geo. Newlove, Cont. Surg., U. S. A.; W. E. Cass, Cont. Surg., U. S. A.; 1st Lt. G. I. Feeter, 7th

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JAPANESE MAY REBEL

**Troops Do Not Like Terms of Peace
and Make Preparations
for a Battle.**

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

LIDZYAPUTZE, September 5.—The Japanese are continuing their preparations for battle. The Japanese troops are dissatisfied with the terms of the peace agreement.

STORM ON GREAT LAKES RESULTS IN GREAT LOSS

DULUTH, Minn., September 5.—In a storm on Lake Superior twenty lives have been lost. Three vessels were sunk and their crews lost.

BOODLER CONFESSES.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., September 5.—Ex-State Senator Harry Bunker has made a full confession implicating his fellow defendants in the bribery scandal. He has also implicated men whose names are not disclosed.

At the last session of the California legislature four senators were expelled for receiving bribes from loan and savings companies under investigation. Emmons and French have already been tried. Bunkers, who has just confessed, was formerly an engineer in the Pacific Mail line.

JEFFRIES PUTS BLOCK IN WAY OF BIG MATCH

SAN FRANCISCO, September 5.—James J. Jeffries has demanded \$2000 to referee the Britt-Nelson fight and there is a probability of a hitch in the match.

Britt and Battling Nelson are scheduled to fight on the afternoon of Admission Day at Colma. The contest is to be to a finish and will settle for all time the question of the lightweight championship. Jeffries was chosen as a referee after many others had been discussed, and to all intents and purposes had fully and unconditionally accepted.

MORE TROUBLE IN KISHINEFF.

KISHINEFF, September 5.—Troops today attacked a Jewish funeral procession. Many were shot and wounded and 50 were arrested without explanation and great alarm is felt.

BOYCOTT SUBSIDING.

WASHINGTON, September 5.—American Consul Rodgers at Shanghai has cabled that the Chinese boycott movement is subsiding.

YELLOW FEVER SPREADS.

JACKSON, Miss., September 5.—The yellow fever is spreading along the Gulf coast.

AFTERNOON REPORT.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 4.—General Linevitch reports further encounters between the Russian and Japanese forces.

OYSTER BAY, September 4.—Robert Bacon of New York has been appointed assistant secretary of state to succeed F. B. Loomis, resigned.

NEW ORLEANS, September 4.—There were thirty-four new cases of yellow fever here today, and four deaths.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., September 4.—It is probable the treaty of peace between Russia and Japan will be signed here tomorrow.

BAYFIELD, Wis., September 4.—Eleven of the crew of the steamer Sevona were drowned in the wreck of the vessel on Sand Island, Lake Superior.

SAIGON, September 4.—A typhoon caused great loss along the Tonquin coast.